

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An implantable cross-pin for use in an ACL repair procedure, comprising:

an elongated member having a proximal end, a distal end, ~~a longitudinal axis~~, and an outer surface;

a nose member extending out from the distal end of said elongated member having a proximal end and a distal end;

an axial trough in the elongated member extending through the outer surface, said trough having a proximal end, a distal end, a bottom, opposed ends, an open top, and a passageway;

a guide wire opening in the distal end of the nose member and concentric with the central longitudinal axis of the elongated member;

an interior tunnel having a passage with an enclosed circular perimeter in the nose member extending from the guide wire opening and extending into the trough such that the passage is in communication with the guide wire opening and the trough; and

a guide wire seated in the axial trough and extending through the interior tunnel and the guide wire opening;

wherein the cross-pin comprises a biocompatible material.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Previously Presented) The cross-pin of claim 1, wherein the material is bioabsorbable.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 3, wherein the bioabsorbable material is selected from the group consisting of PLA, PGA, and copolymers thereof.

6. (Canceled).

7. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 1, wherein the proximal end of the cross-pin comprises an opening in communication with the proximal end of the trough.

8. (Cancelled).

9. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 1, wherein the nose member has a bullet shape.

10-16. (Canceled).